

## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the following paragraphs in the Specification as follows [ Note: line numbers below may not match line numbers in the Specification and Claims as filed because of paper width difference. Any reference to line numbers appearing in the Remarks section below discussing these paragraphs will be to the line numbers in the original Specification or Claims as filed.]:

### **Page 11, second paragraph (lines 5 - 13 as filed):**

5 Referring to Figures 8A, 8B and 9, golfer 35 first holds club 23 upright (not shown) and  
6 installs the invention onto grip 21 as discussed above for tool 1 or tool 101. Golfer 35 then inverts  
7 club 23 and lowers tool 1 into cup 33 adjacent golf ball 31 (Figure 9). As tool 1 moves to the bottom  
8 of cup 33 (Figures 8A, 8B), it pushes ball 31 to one side until it ball 31 clears shelf 7, whereupon  
9 it ball 31 rolls onto shelf 7. With a slight tilting motion of club 23, golfer 35 positions ball 31 onto  
10 shelf 7 resting against body 3 and backstop 13 (Figure 8B). Golf ball 31 then can be lifted out of cup  
11 33 in this captive state. Continuing to lift club 23 until he can reach ball 31 with his free hand (not  
12 shown), golfer 35 thereby retrieves ball 31 from cup 33 without stooping.

### **Page 13, third paragraph (lines 16 - 24 as filed):**

16 While the invention has been particularly shown and described with reference to one or more  
17 embodiments, it will be understood by those skilled in the art that various changes in form and detail  
18 may be made therein without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention. For example, the  
19 figures depict backstop 13, 113 as having a width approximately that of golf ball 31, but substantial  
20 variations in the width of backstop 13, 113 may be appropriate to keep golf ball 31 captive.  
21 Likewise, the length of body 3 can have substantial variations and still allow golfer 35 to perform  
22 all of the intended functions of tool 1, 101. Also, instead of strap 105, tool 101 could attach by  
23 means of a rubberized cup stretched and fitted onto ~~the~~ the end of grip 21 with the body 3 being  
24 coupled to the cup.